

Riverside Community Council Public Meeting Minutes
Riverside Primary School
Date: 31st January 2024

Members Present

Joan Murphy
 Fiona Dyet
 Ashleigh Phillip
 Fiona Berrow
 Jude Treliving
 Carol Robertson
 Parvin Morrissey
 Bob Dale

In Attendance

Chara Parraco
 Di Alderdice
 Andrew Fraser
 17 residents
 Cllr Thomson
 Tom Horner
 Sharon Marklow
 PCs Hunter and Gray

Apologies

Minutes	Actions
<p>1. Welcome</p> <p>Joan Murphy welcomed everyone to Riverside Primary School (RPS).</p>	
<p>2. Declarations of Interest</p> <p>No Declaration of Interest was recorded.</p>	
<p>3. Approval of Previous Minutes</p> <p>Minutes for November adopted. Fiona Dyet proposed; Ashleigh Phillip seconded.</p>	
<p>4. Matters Arising from previous minutes not to be addressed within the meeting</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>5. Reports</p> <p>a. Chair Masterplan: The focus of this evening’s meeting is the Forthside Masterplan and the public consultation currently happening. Stirling Council are actively seeking engagement from residents of Riverside. Residents can read the plan and participate in the survey online at https://engage.stirling.gov.uk, and is titled ‘Stirling Forthside Masterplan and Design Guide’.</p> <p>b. Secretary: Grit Bins: The delivery of the grit bins has been delayed with plans currently TBC. More information will be posted on the Gritting WhatsApp group when confirmed; contact Riverside Community Council (RCC) to be added to the group.</p> <p>Abbey Road: It had been noted in previous meetings that the charging points on Abbey Road would be activated at the end</p>	

<p>of 2023, which hasn't yet happened. A resident questioned why that spot in Riverside was chosen.</p> <p>Noticeboard: The new noticeboard at Lovers Walk was damaged in the recent storms and needs a latch replaced.</p> <p>Police Report: over the last two months, there were 4 recorded crimes: 2 detected and 2 undetected.</p> <p>The Police Officers also discussed the 20 mph speed limits, due to ongoing issues of speeding on Dean Crescent. They reported that they can educate the public but their ability to enforce the limits are, themselves, limited.</p> <p>If any resident would like to contact these Police Officers specifically to discuss issues in Riverside, the RCC can provide the direct email address.</p> <p>c. Treasurer</p> <p><u>Income</u> We received £1,500 of Community Pride funding from Stirling Council for the Old Harbour Woods project.</p> <p><u>Expenditure</u> We bought more ink (£58.99) for printing posters etc. for the noticeboards. We also purchased tools (£226.50) for the Old Harbour Woods project.</p>	<p>Parvin to contact re warranty or replacement parts</p>
<p>6. Forthside Masterplan</p> <p>Sharon Marklow and Tom Horner from Stirling Council came to discuss the Forthside Masterplan, which is currently at the draft stage.</p> <p>The plan can be found at http://engage.stirling.gov.uk and consultation is open until 23rd February 2024. Sharon Marklow actively encouraged residents to read the plan and submit their questions.</p> <p>Summaries of the questions raised by residents and answers given by Stirling Council (latter in italics): Concern for the Old Harbour Woods (OHW) as they were simply labelled as 'woodland' on the plan. Concern for the upheaval to the ecology and habitat of the OHW, particularly as the work done so far has been working together with Stirling Council to an agreed programme of woodland management. <i>Stirling Council emphasised the green spaces as being important and views the riverbank and the habitat there as an asset. There may need to be felling of some trees as part of the development.</i></p>	

<p>(Included in this conversation was a discussion of the damage done to the footpath by the discharge out of the headwall. Cllr Thomson said that the water was outflow from the culverted Town Burn. There was no answer to how damage could be prevented to the path in the future.)</p> <p>There is an outstanding building warrant for the land beside the Riverside Quay student flats, with no end point on it. Will that space be developed? <i>There is currently no interest in developing that space, but the building warrant still stands are some development has happened there. However, Stirling Council can't guarantee that development will never happen there.</i></p> <p>Is there consideration for tree coverage in the development? <i>Yes, the development of the green spaces is included in the design guide.</i></p> <p>Concern regarding the visibility for drivers at the proposed road junction of Forthside Way and Shore Road. There are often long queues there. <i>With the redevelopment of the road, there should be good visibility for drivers.</i></p> <p>Why is Levelling Up money being used to decontaminate the MOD site? <i>Levelling Up is concerned with commercial growth, and the MOD site contains buildings of commercial potential. Submitting a larger bid is a way of getting the government interested in the plan.</i></p> <p>Could there be an entrance to Stirling Train Station on this side of the tracks? <i>Worth exploring as an option.</i></p> <p>The chair (Joan Murphy) suggested that there be further meetings with the relevant Stirling Council staff to allow residents to ask further questions and be more involved. A show of hands indicated several people would wish to participate in these.</p>	<p>Fiona Dyet to contact Sharon Marklow to arrange.</p>
<p>7. Sub-Groups</p> <p>a. Active Travel: E-Bike Loans: both Recyke-A-Bike and Forth Environment Link have several eBike loan schemes for up to a month, including adapted and recumbent bikes.</p> <p>b. Environment: Paul Dumbleton from TreeLink requested, and received, the support of RCC in him asking Stirling Council about adding in several trees in three areas of Riverside: the old harbour, near the bridge to Cambuskenneth and by the</p>	

<p>student flats. He will come back at next month's meeting to discuss the Crown of Trees walking tour around Stirling.</p> <p>c. Defibs/Christmas Parcels: £568 was raised at Christmas, £468 from the Christmas windows raised £568 and £100 donated from from Riverside News. Lucky2BHere has ordered new pads (£55 per pair).</p> <p>d. Parking: Will be discussed at the next meeting.</p>	
<p>8. OAB Seed Grant: Bob Dale has successfully got funding for tools and seeds for the planters.</p>	
<p>9. Next meeting: Wednesday, 28th February 2024. Riverside Primary School.</p>	